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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

NOTIFICATION

The 28th May 2012

No. 4353—LC-80/2012-En.,—Hon'ble High Court while disposing of WP(C) No. 8409 of 2011 filed by Keonjhar Navanirman Parishad and others *Vrs*. State of Odisha and others have kindly observed and directed vide Para. 24 (IV) of their Judgment, dated the 30th March 2012 is reproduced below —

"As it is observed in some cases that there is lack of Co-ordination between different Department of Government for which the project like Poteru Small Hydro Electricity Project failed, it may be indicated that the failure is not due to trial and error method, but it is due to the short-sightedness of different Departments. The reasons ascribed for the failure of the project to take up, such as (i) The weak canal banks could not carry the required quantity of water, (ii) Land being forest land, overhead electric lines could not be drawn and (iii) The manual works could not be possible as the area was naxal infested, cannot be said to be unforeseen reasons. This could have been anticipated when the project was conceived. The failure of the aforesaid projects cannot be compared with that of the case of Dharampur Sugar (*Supra*). However, in order to avoid such wasteful expenditures in future, we direct that there should be an Inter-Departmental Co-ordination Committee consisting of the Secretaries of different consultative Departments, so that the projects can be worked out by taking clearance from the concerned Departments under a single window system".

In view of the above, now Government have been pleased to constitute an Inter-Departmental Co-ordination Committee consisting of the Secretaries of the following Departments to examine the above observations of the Hon'ble High Court to avoid wasteful expenditure:—

- 1. Development Commissioner-cum-ACS
- 2. Principal Secretary, Finance Department
- 3. Principal Secretary, Home Department
- 4. Principal Secretary, W. R. Department
- 5. Principal Secretary, R & DM Department
- 6. Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Industries Department
- 7. Principal Secretary, Energy Department

- . Chairman
- .. Member
- .. Member-Convenor

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